## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Aloys Wobben Application No. : 10/587,603 Filed : May 14, 2007

For : WIND POWER PLANT

Examiner : Babajide A. Demuren

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## COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

## Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated June 1, 2010, Applicant agrees the claims are allowable and thanks the Examiner for allowing the claims. Applicant, however, does not concede to the Examiner's characterization of the claims or of the prior art. Furthermore, Applicant notes that there may be reasons for allowance other than those put forth by the Examiner.

In addition, Applicant notes that subsequent to receiving the Notice of Allowance it was discovered that DE 19859628, which is referenced in the "Description of the Related Art" section on page 2 of the present application, was not provided by way of an Information Disclosure Statement or cited by the Examiner during prosecution. Applicant's representative therefore contacted Examiner Demuren to confirm that the reference was considered in evaluating the present application. Examiner Demuren by return telephone call confirmed that he considered the reference and found it to be less relevant than other references that were

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disclosed and considered in this application, but that he was unable to make it of record unless a Request for Continued Examination was made.

Respectfully submitted,
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